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The meeting was called to order at 10.25 a.m.

UNIDO activities related to energy and the environment (*continued*) (GC.15/5 and GC.15/6; GC.15/CRP.2)

1. **Mr. Colapinto** (Italy), speaking on behalf of the European Union (EU), said that a number of amendments to the draft resolution submitted by the EU had been agreed upon during informal consultations. Operative paragraph (b) would be amended to read: "To foster, in line with national needs and priorities, transfer of know-how, technology transfer on mutually agreed terms, including manufacturing capabilities in the fields of energy efficiency in industrial processes and renewable energies for industrial application and uses particularly in developing countries".

2. Operative paragraph (e) would be amended to read: "To strengthen the implementation of UNIDO's Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECP) Programme, while searching for possible synergies with existing regional initiatives, such as, inter alia, "A resource-efficient Europe" initiative, and in this regard to expand membership of the global network of Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production Centres (RECPnet)".

3. In operative paragraph (f), the words "in the Southern and Eastern partnership regions of the European Union" were to be deleted and the words "in line with" would be replaced by the phrase "taking note of similar regional programmes, including inter alia".

4. In operative paragraph (i), the words "energy management" would be inserted before the word "standards".

5. **The Chair** said that, if he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee wished to adopt the amendments proposed.

6. *It was so decided.*

7. **Mr. Colapinto** (Italy), speaking on behalf of the EU, asked whether the delegations of the Russian Federation and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela had received instructions from their respective capitals in relation to the proposed new paragraph, concerning the Global Mercury Partnership, to follow operative paragraph (j).

8. **Mr. Uskov** (Russian Federation) said that his delegation could accept the proposal provided that the part of the paragraph following the word "Partnership" be deleted, since the fact that the Partnership concerned artisanal gold mining and industrial applications rendered that part of the text redundant.

9. **Ms. Pereira** (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) said that her delegation accepted the proposed paragraph but suggested that the words "To continue and strengthen" be replaced with the words "To work on".

10. **Mr. Uskov** (Russian Federation) expressed support for that proposal.

11. **Mr. Colapinto** (Italy), speaking on behalf of the EU, requested that the meeting be suspended to allow for consultations between the co-sponsors in relation to the proposal made by the representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The meeting was suspended at 10.35 a.m. and resumed at 10.40 a.m.

12. **Mr. Colapinto** (Italy), speaking on behalf of the EU, said it was agreed that the proposed paragraph would be amended to read: "To continue UNIDO's active participation in the Global Mercury Partnership".

13. **The Chair** said he took it that the Committee wished to accept the text of the new paragraph as amended.

14. *It was so decided.*

15. **The Chair** invited further comments on the draft resolution.

16. **Mr. Chemakh** (Algeria) sought clarification as to whether the words "national needs" in operative paragraph (b) meant recipients' needs.

17. **Ms. Wrona** (Poland), speaking on behalf of the EU, confirmed that the words "national needs" meant the national needs of recipient countries.

18. **Mr. Chemakh** (Algeria) proposed that the word "recipients'" be inserted before the word "national".

19. After some discussion, **Mr. Colapinto** (Italy), speaking on behalf of the EU, said that, while he understood the rationale for the proposed amendment, compromises had already been made in order to

achieve balance and the idea of "recipient countries" was already implied in operative paragraph (b).

20. **Mr. Chemakh** (Algeria) said that, in that light, he withdrew his proposal.

21. **The Chair** invited the Committee to consider the remaining paragraphs of the draft resolution.

22. **Mr. Savunov** (Belarus) proposed that the words "countries with" be inserted before the words "economies in transition" in the fifteenth preambular paragraph. If that wording was acceptable to the Committee, the term "transition countries" in the ninth and sixteenth preambular paragraphs and in operative paragraph (g) should be adjusted accordingly, for the sake of consistency.

23. **Ms. Krois** (European Union) said that her delegation would support the use of the phrase "developing countries and those with economies in transition" throughout the text of the draft resolution.

24. **The Chair** said he took it that the Committee wished to accept the text of the draft resolution as a whole, as amended.

25. *The draft decision as a whole, as amended, was adopted for recommendation to the plenary.*

26. **Ms. Wrona** (Poland), speaking on behalf of the EU, announced that the delegations of Ukraine, Switzerland and the Philippines wished to be included among the sponsors of the draft resolution.

Lima Declaration and Plan of Action 2013 (*continued*)
(GC.15/13)

27. **Mr. García Revilla** (Peru) said that consensus had been reached in informal consultations on the text of the draft resolution entitled "UNIDO and the post-2015 United Nations development agenda negotiations" which he had introduced at the Committee's first meeting. A third preambular paragraph had been proposed by the delegation of Cuba, to read "*Taking note* of the ongoing discussions of the Open Working Group for the elaboration of the Sustainable Development Goals". The fifth preambular paragraph would now read "*Taking note* of UNIDO's active engagement in the ongoing process of elaboration of the post-2015 United Nations development agenda, working with the United Nations Secretary-General, to appropriately contribute to the deliberations of Member States related to the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda".

28. **The Chair** said that, if he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee wished to adopt the text as amended.

29. *The draft resolution entitled "UNIDO and the post-2015 United Nations development agenda negotiations", as amended, was adopted for recommendation to the plenary.*

UNIDO activities related to the Vienna Ministerial Declaration and Plan of Action of the Least Developed Countries and to cooperation with middle-income countries (*continued*)
(GC.15/8 and GC.15/9; GC.15/CRP.2)

30. **The Chair** recalled that, at the Committee's first meeting, the representative of Ethiopia had introduced a draft resolution concerning the least developed countries (LDCs). A question had been asked as to whether the "Operational Strategy" referred to in the draft was the UNIDO LDC Strategy and Operational Plan, 2012-2020, mentioned in a resolution adopted at the previous session.

31. **Mr. Dionne** (Chief, UNIDO Africa Programme) said that it was. The strategy had three objectives: the targeting of communities, the conversion of commodities into products and the regional dimension of value chains.

32. *The draft resolution, entitled "Lima Ministerial Declaration for the Least Developed Countries", was adopted for recommendation to the plenary.*

33. **Mr. Saenz** (Costa Rica), introducing the draft resolution entitled "Industrial development in middle-income countries", which was contained in chapter II.B of document GC.15/CRP.2, said that, following the High-level Conference of the Middle-Income Countries convened in San José, Costa Rica, in June 2013, it was essential for the international community to acknowledge that the issue of industrial development in middle-income countries was an issue that needed to be addressed. Consensus had been reached in informal discussions on the text of the draft resolution and he wished to propose the following amendments: first, a new second preambular paragraph should be introduced, with the following wording: "*Welcoming* the adoption of the Lima Declaration: Towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development".

Secondly, the chapeau to operative paragraph 2 should be reworded to read "Without prejudice to the Organization's overall priorities and mandate, *invites* UNIDO to continue to work closely with middle income countries and to contribute to:". In paragraph 2 (c), the word "liaison" should be replaced by the word "dialogue", and paragraphs 2 (c) and 2 (d) should be combined. The phrase "various related processes" in what was currently paragraph 2 (d) should be replaced by the phrase "various relevant processes", and the phrase "country-specific inputs" should be replaced by the phrase "countries' inputs".

34. **Mr. Uskov** (Russian Federation) said that the number of middle-income countries changed depending on the methodology used. He therefore suggested that the number "97" in the first preambular paragraph should be replaced by the phrase "a significant number of".

35. *It was so agreed.*

36. **Ms. Algabre** (Philippines) said that her delegation wished to become a sponsor of the draft resolution.

37. *The draft resolution entitled "Industrial development in middle-income countries", as amended, was adopted for recommendation to the plenary.*

Date and place of the sixteenth session

38. **Ms. Singer** (Secretary of the Committee) said that, in accordance with the information provided in the annotated agenda (GC.15/1/Add.1), the dates of 30 November to 4 December 2015 had been scheduled tentatively for the sixteenth session in Vienna, and the M building of the Vienna International Centre had been reserved.

39. **The Chair** said that, if he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee agreed that a draft decision to the effect that the sixteenth session should be held in Vienna from 30 November to 4 December 2015 should be recommended to the plenary.

40. *It was so decided.*

The meeting rose at 11.45 a.m.